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Inventors	: Yoshihiro Yazawa	Docket No.: 1374-DIV-2-01
	: Osamu Furukimi	
	: Mineo Muraki	Confirmation No.:
	: Yoshihiro Ozaki	
	: Kunio Fukuda	
	: Yukihiro Baba	
Title	: FERRITIC STAINLESS STEEL SHEET WITH	
	: EXCELLENT WORKABILITY AND METHOD	
	: FOR MAKING THE SAME	Dated: February 17, 2004

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We submit herewith the usual Form PTO-1449 together with copies of publications listed therein. A copy of the European Search Report dated April 22, 2002 is enclosed. They are submitted to comply with the Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and are believed related to this application.

We are submitting this in the spirit of voluntary disclosure and look forward with interest to the Examiner's action at an early date on the merits of the case.

It is accordingly requested that the Information Disclosure Statement be officially entered in the file of this case and that appropriate notification be made that it was considered in the prosecution of the case.

Respectfully submitted,



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